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SUBJECT: PRG ATTENDANCE AT WORLD POPULATION CONFERENCE

(WPC)

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1. US CANNOT ENDORSE APPRAOCH CARILLO-FLORES HAS DESCRIBED. WE KNOW OF NO RPT NO PRECEDENT (AND USUN HAS CHECKED WITH UN SECRETARIAT IN THIS RESPECT) WHEREBY PRESIDENT OF CONFERENCE COULD ADMIT PRG TO SPEAK ON HIS OWN AUTHORITY, AND WOULD VIGOROUSLY OPPOSE ANY ATTEMPT ON HIS PART TO DO SO.

2. US POSITION REMAINS THAT WPC INVITATION QUESTION SETTLED BY ECOSOC RESES 1484 (XLVIII) AND 1835 (LVI) AND THERE IS NO RPT NO LEGAL WAY FOR MATTER TO BE REOPENED.
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PARTICIPATION, ACCORDING TO UN PRACTICE, IS DETERMINED BY

CONVENING BODY (IN THIS CASE ECOSOC) AND NOT BY A CONFERENCE ITSELF.

3. WE ARE AWARE OF PRECEDENTS WHEREBY HOST GOVERNMENT EXTENDS PERSONAL INVITATION TO POLITICAL ENTITIES TO BE PRESENT AT CONFERENCES IN UNOFFICIAL CAPACITY, WITHOUT RIGHT TO SPEAK OR VOTE, AND ARE NOT RPT NOT SEATED AMONG OFFICIAL DELEGATIONS BUT IN AREAS OPEN TO GENERAL PUBLIC.

YOU MAY SAY, ON AN "IF ASKED" BASIS, THAT WE ARE PREPARED TO LET PRG BE SEATED IN GALLERIES -- BUT NOT ON CONFERENCE FLOOR -- PROVIDED ALL STIPULATIONS ABOVE ARE MET.

4. FYI WHILE IT IS POSSIBLE ROMANIANS MAY PICK IDEA THEY ATTRIBUTE TO CARILLO-FLORES, WE DO NOT RPT NOT WISH TO GIVE IT ANY ENCOURAGEMENT SINCE WE FIND IT UNACCEPTABLE BOTH LEGALLY AND POLITICALLY. SHOULD IDEA BE CARRIED FORWARD, US AND OTHER LIKE-MINDED DELEGATIONS SHOULD IMMEDIATELY OPPOSE ANY EFFORT TO PERMIT PRG REPRESENTATIVE TO ADDRESS WPC, OR TO PARTICIPATE IN CONFERENCE IN ANY OFFICIAL WAY. END FYI.

5. IN PRESENTATIONS TO CARILLO-FLORES, MALITA, AND OTHERS, YOU SHOULD DRAW ON ABOVE, STATE 175274, STATE 169371 AND DELEGATION POSITION PAPER IN OUTLINING US VIEWS. WE SHARE DESIRE OF ROMANIANS, SOVIETS AND OTHERS TO HAVE SMOOTH-RUNNING WPC UNENCUMBERED BY EXTRANEIOUS POLITICAL ISSUES; AMONG SUCH ISSUES WE INCLUDE QUESTION OF PRG PARTICIPATION, SINCE ECOSOC HAS ALREADY DECIDED THE MATTER.

6. LEAVE TO EMBASSY'S JUDGMENT DECISION AS TO WHETHER IT NECESSARY TO CONVEY US POSITION TO BODNARAS PERSONALLY IN ORDER TO BE CERTAIN THAT THERE ARE NO MISUNDERSTANDINGS OF OUR VIEW AT TOP LEVEL. SUCH A MOVE, IF UNDERTAKEN, MAY BE CARRIED OUT BEFORE SECRETARY WEINBERGER'S ARRIVAL. KISSINGER

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